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1. MINED AND GDANSK HAVE CONFIRMED REQUEST FOR FULBRIGHT LECTURER. LECTURER MUST BE SINGLE OR MARRIED WITH NO CHILDREN, SINCE ONLY HOUSING AVAILABLE IS COMBINED DINING-LIVING-BEDROOM WITH SMALL KITCHEN AND BATHROOM. 1974-75 IS FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION FOR ENGLISH DEPARTMENT; THEREFORE, LECTURER WILL TEACH PRACTICAL ENGLISH ONLY. THOUGH GDANSK WANTS DOCTORATE FOR PRESTIGE PURPOSES, THIS RANK RESTRICTS TEACHING TIME TO EIGHT HOURS. GDANSK WILL GLADLY ACCEPT M.A. SINCE MAJOR NEED IS FOR NATIVE SPEAKER WELL TRAINED IN TEFL. M.A. COULD TEACH TEN TO TWELVE HOURS.

2. GDANSK HAS DELIVERED FORMAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION OF CAL TEACHER RETRAINING PROGRAM THERE. IN 1973-4, PROGRAM OPERATED IN POZNAN, GDANSK, LODZ. LODZ WILL CLOSE JUNE 30. THIS YEAR WARSAW INSTITUTE APPLIED LINGUISTICS HAS ALSO FORMALLY REQUESTED 1974-5. RETRAINING ASSISTANCE AND UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA FORMAL REQUEST MAY BE FORTHCOMING. EMBASSY GIVES PRIORITY TO POZNAN AND WARSAW. GDANSK AGREES THAT IF THE FULBRIGHTER ASSIGNED TO GDANSK IS QUALIFIED BY FORMAL TEFL TRAINING, OVERSEAS TEFL EXPERIENCE AND TEACHER TRAINING EXPERIENCE, HE COULD TEACH SIX HOURS AT UNIVERSITY AND FOUR HOURS AT RETRAINING CENTER. IN THIS CASE, EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND TRANSFER OF CAL SPECIALIST WILLIAM CARROLL FROM GDANSK TO WARSAW. CAL COULD PROCEED TO RECRUIT THIRD CAL

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SPECIALIST FOR SILESIA IF FORMAL REQUEST RECEIVED. EMBASSY HAS

GIVEN SILESIA JUNE 4 DEADLINE FOR THIS. IF CU CANNOT NOMINATE PERSON QUALIFIED FOR TEFL TEACHER TRAINING FOR GDANSK, PERSON ASSIGNED WILL TEACH ONLY PRACTICAL ENGLISH AT UNIVERSITY AND GDANSK WILL COMPETE WITH SILESIA FOR THIRD CAL SPECIALIST POSITION.

3. LUBLIN HAS NOT MADE A FORMAL REQUEST FOR A LINGUISTICS LECTURER TO THE EMBASSY NOR TO THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION. HOWEVER, BOTH THE MINISTRY AND LUBLIN HAVE STATED THAT THEY WOULD WELCOME SUCH A POSITION IF THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED ITSELF. THE EMBASSY HAS GIVEN LUBLIN UNTIL JUNE FIRST TO PRESENT TO THE MINISTRY AND THE EMBASSY ITS PROPOSAL FOR UTILIZING A LINGUISTICS LECTURER IF ONE WILL INDEED BE AVAILABLE. INCLUDED IN THIS WILL BE SPECIFICS OF HOURS AND LEVELS TO BE TAUGHT AND HOUSING AND SALARY PROVISIONS. IN ITS DISCUSSION WITH LUBLIN ON THIS SUBJECT THE EMBASSY POINTED OUT THE IT FELT THAT ITS AMLIT LECTURERS HAD BEEN USED TOO HEAVILY IN PRACTICAL ENGLISH TEACHING TO THE DISADVANTAGE OF THE AMLIT PROGRAM AND THAT THIS SITUATION WOULD HAVE TO BE RESOLVED BEFORE THE EMBASSY COULD GUARANTEE A LINGUISTICS LECTURER. THE EMBASSY WILL INFORM CU/EE OF LUBLIN'S PROPOSAL WHEN IT IS RECEIVED.

4. PAPER OF FULBRIGHT NOMINEE HUTCHESON WILL BE PRESENTED TO UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AT SOSNOWIEC; HOWEVER, HUTCHESON SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT HIS MAJOR TEACHING DUTIES WILL BE TEACHING PRACTICAL ENGLISH AND ASSISTING WITH DEVELOPMENT OF PRACTICAL ENGLISH PROGRAM. HE WILL HAVE NO OPPORTUNITY TO LECTURE IN LINGUISTICS AS SOSNOWIEC IS ONLY IN ITS SECOND YEAR OF OPERATION WITH CONCENTRATION ON PRACTICAL ENGLISH DEVELOPMENT. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS ASSIGNMENT NOT ACCEPTABLE TO HUTCHESON.

5. EMBASSY GREATLY APPRECIATES CU SUPPORT FOR JASKOSKI.

6. RE POLONICUM COURSE: THE MINISTRY STATES THAT IT WILL PROVIDE HOUSING AND MEALS FOR FOUR PARTICIPANTS IN EACH POLONICUM SESSION AND THAT IT HOPES TO ARRANGE FOR MINIMAL PER DIEM TO BE DISBURSED. THE MINISTRY ALSO STATES THAT THE SECOND SESSION WILL, IN FACT, BE RESTRICTED TO STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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A KNOWLEDGE OF POLISH. THIS RESTRICTION HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE ENROLLEES BY THE UNIVERSITY DUE TO THE LARGE NUMBERS OF STUDENTS WHO IN PAST YEARS WERE ENROLLED IN THE ADVANCED COURSE WITHOUT ANY LANGUAGE. THE MINISTRY WILL HOLD POSITIONS IN THE ADVANCED COURSE OPEN AS LONG AS IT CAN. HOWEVER, THE MINISTRY HOPES THAT THOSE LECTURERS WHO DO ENROLL IN THIS COURSE WILL HAVE SOME LANGUAGE BACKGROUND IN ORDER TO BENEFIT FROM THE COURSE.

AS THE BASIC COURSE ENDS NEARLY FOUR WEEKS BEFORE THE ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS, THOSE LECTURERS WHO ENROLL IN IT MUST BE AWARE THAT THOUGH THE EMBASSY CAN BEGIN STIPENDS EARLIER TO ACCOMMODATE THEM THEIR UNIVERSITIES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BEGIN THEIR SALARIES BEFORE OCTOBER FIRST AND THAT IT IS QUESTIONABLE WHETHER THEIR HOUSING WILL BE READY FOR THEM ONE MONTH BEFORE THE SEMESTER BEGINS.

THE EMBASSY ASKS THAT CU/EE INFORM THE POSSIBLE POLONICUM PARTICIPANTS OF THESE COMPLICATIONS AND CABLE THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO NEVERTHELESS WISH TO ATTEND THE FIRST OR SECOND SESSION.

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